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This Amendment and Response to Non-Final Action is filed in response to the non-final Office Action, dated May 28, 2009. A three-month period for response was set in the non-final Office action, and a three-month extension fee is provided herewith, making the response due on or before Monday, November 30, 2009. It is believed no additional fees are required; however, if additional fees are required, the Commissioner is authorized to deduct those fees from Deposit Account No. 02-4550.

Please amend the referenced application as follows:

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2.

A Statement in Compliance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.821(f) appears on page 4.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 5.

Remarks begin on page 11 and end with a brief Conclusion on page 21.

Also submitted here with are:

Exhibits 1-4 in support of the response

A replacement Sequence Listing (.txt and pdf format)